

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
ABILENE DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
Plaintiff,

v.

BILLY WAYNE MERCHANT,  
Defendant.

NO. 1:22-CR-037-01-H

**ORDER ACCEPTING REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION  
OF THE UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE  
CONCERNING PLEA OF GUILTY**

After reviewing all relevant matters of record, including the Notice Regarding Entry of a Plea of Guilty, the Consent of the Defendant, and the Report and Recommendation Concerning Plea of Guilty of the United States Magistrate Judge, and no objections thereto having been filed within fourteen (14) days of service in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1), the undersigned District Judge is of the opinion that the Report and Recommendation of the Magistrate Judge concerning the Plea of Guilty is correct, and it is hereby accepted by the Court. Accordingly, the Court accepts the plea of guilty and Defendant is hereby adjudged guilty.

Sentence will be imposed in accordance with the Court's scheduling order.

SO ORDERED.

Dated September 16, 2022.

  
JAMES WESLEY HENDRIX  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE